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§8-703.1.

(a) The Department shall develop and implement by August 1, 1987 an educational program to advise boaters, boatyards, marine suppliers, and other users of antifouling paints on:

(1) The provisions of Title 5, Subtitle 9 of the Agriculture Article, § 9-321.1 of the Environment Article, and this section;

(2) The toxic propensities to marine life of antifouling paints containing tributyltin compounds; and

(3) The availability of substitute paints.

(b) The Department shall:

(1) Publish for use by the public a detailed listing of antifouling paints in use in the State that contain tributyltin and those that do not; and

(2) Publish, to the extent possible, which antifouling paints containing tributyltin have acceptable release rates, as defined in § 5-901 of the Agriculture Article.

(c) The Department shall develop the educational program under subsection (a) of this section and the materials used in the program in coordination with the State Department of Agriculture and in consultation with the marine trades and with representatives of the boating public.

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